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REMARKS

The Examiner requested that the Applicants make a provisional election of a species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted should no generic claims be finally held to be allowable. The Examiner listed the species of the claimed invention as including: Group 1, Figures 1-5; Group 2, Figures 6-9; Group 3, Figure 10; and Group 4, Figures 11-12.

As noted by the Examiner, independent Claim 1 is a generic claim that is directed to all of the species in Groups 1-5. Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claims 21 and 22 are directed at least to Group 1. Further, dependent claims 2, 4, 7-8, 10-16, 18-20, and 23 are also directed at least to Group 1.

As noted above, Applicants have made a provisional election of the species of Group 1, should no generic claim be held allowable. With respect to Group 1, Claims 1-2, 4, 7-8, 10-16, and 18-23 are readable thereon.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants request consideration of the additional species which include the limitations of the allowed generic claim.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that all outstanding issues in this case have been resolved and that the present claims are in condition for examination. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below in order to expedite the resolution of such issues.

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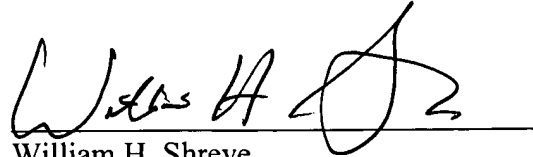
Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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